April 13, 2007

TO THE MISSISSIPPI HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES:

GOVERNOR'S VETO MESSAGE FOR HOUSE BILL 1617

I am returning House Bill Number 1617: "AN ACT TO REENACT AND AMEND CHAPTER 879, LOCAL AND PRIVATE LAWS OF 1992, AS AMENDED BY CHAPTER 975, LOCAL AND PRIVATE LAWS OF 1994, AS AMENDED BY CHAPTER 905, LOCAL AND PRIVATE LAWS OF 1999, AS AMENDED BY CHAPTER 943, LOCAL AND PRIVATE LAWS OF 2003, WHICH CREATES THE GRENADA TOURISM COMMISSION AND AUTHORIZES THE IMPOSITION OF A TOURIST AND CONVENTION TAX; TO EXTEND THE REPEALER; AND FOR RELATED PURPOSES." without my approval, and assign the following reasons for my veto.

Today, I signed into law Senate Bill 3229, which is identical to House Bill 1617. Therefore, there is no need for House Bill 1617.

Respectfully submitted,

Haley Barbour, GOVERNOR